

**TOWN OF WEBSTER**  
**Office of Selectmen**  
**945 Battle Street/Rte. 127**  
**Webster, NH 03303**

6:36 P.M. Selectmen's Meeting – January 9, 2012 – Revised January 23, 2012 (Page 2, paragraph 3 added)

Present: Chairman George Cummings and Selectman Bruce Johnson. Selectman Hashem was absent.

The Board signed the payroll and check manifests.

The Board signed the following for Administrative Assistant Judith Jones:

- Selectman Johnson made a motion to accept the Selectmen's Minutes of December 27, 2011 as written; seconded by Chairman Cummings and approved.
- Purchase Order #55 for the Highway Department to Ossipee Mountain Electronics, Inc. for radios and related equipment, originally signed for in the amount of \$1,003.30 on December 27, 2011 was initialed to change the amount to \$1,504.95 thereby allowing for the purchase of three radios.
- Selectman Johnson made a motion to accept the appointments to the Hazard Mitigation Update 2012 Committee of Mike Jette as School District Representative and John Clark as Non-profits Representative; seconded by Chairman Cummings and approved.

The Board reviewed and signed the December bank reconciliation for Financial Administrator Wendy Pinkham.

Chief Dupuis advised the Board of the following:

- Two vacation requests for Lieutenant Philip Mitchell and himself.
- The semi-monthly Police report showed 35 calls for service. Chief Dupuis pointed out that there has been an increase in thefts around the Pillsbury Lake District.
- He received a request from the State on behalf of Homeland Security regarding pipelines. He asked if anyone had any input or knowledge of any local gas or oil lines, of which there was none at this time.

Fire Chief Colin Colby advised of the following:

- There were a total of 161 calls for service in 2011, down from 174 calls in 2010 or a 7% decrease. He read a breakdown of the calls.
- There have been 5 calls for service in 2012.
- Last week there was an ice water rescue training in Hopkinton with the Hopkinton Fire Department.
- Yesterday the Department did the ice water rescue training with Boscawen, Canterbury, Penacook Rescue and Webster in the Merrimack River, where the ice was about 2" thick. He noted that Winnepocket was about 5" thick.
- There is a 3-hour course on critical emergency care regarding saving pets from fires on February 1<sup>st</sup>. He plans to send a few firefighters to this training.
- The new fire truck is expected to be delivered to Massachusetts this month. He needs to advise where to position the tools. He hopes to have the truck by the middle of next month.

Road Agent Emmett Bean indicated that there had been a few ice storms, but otherwise it has been quiet.

Treasurer Mary Smith requested additional funds be put in the 2012 budget for a replacement used lap top. Dave Klumb recommended changing the security system used on the lap top, which if replaced can improve the computers functionality. David Klumb made some suggestions regarding ways to improve the computer's memory. The Board agreed to increase the Treasurer's supply line from \$225 to \$550. There were some prices available from Twin Rivers for used lap tops, but they did not seem to be adequate for the Town's needs.

The Board briefly discussed the 2012 proposed Warrant Articles noting the \$11,265 added to a separate article regarding part-time employee's pro-rated insurance.

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The Board agreed to schedule the Public Hearing for the budget and warrant on February 14, 2012 at 7:00 PM. This meeting will be hosted by the Grange.

It was pointed out that some of the encumbrances voted upon December 27, 2011 have already been paid.

The Board discussed the Refuse Disposal Committee Chairperson's request to appoint a new member. Selectman Johnson stated that since no member has sent the Board a letter of resignation, there are no present open positions, and therefore, the Board cannot appoint a new member.

The Board then reviewed the entire budget and after discussion and careful consideration made a few changes. These changes will be made on the proposed budget sheet and appropriately made in the proposed warrant for review tomorrow.

Roy Fanjoy inquired about any further discussion regarding the "No Thru Traffic" on Centennial Drive as discussed at the last meeting. The Board was not prepared to discuss it tonight.

The replacement of the carpet in the office was discussed, which is an item on the five-year improvement plan for the Town Hall. Butch Thornton recommended that carpet tiles be considered as small portions can be easily replaced when necessary.

8:14 P.M. Selectman Johnson made a motion to continue this meeting until Tuesday, January 10, 2012 at 3:00 PM; seconded by Chairman Cummings and approved.

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**George C. Cummings, Chairman**  
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